104TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION

H. R. 134

To suspend Federal education benefits to individuals convicted of drug offenses.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. Solomon introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Economic and Educational Opportunities

A BILL

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- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SUSPENSION OF ELIGIBILITY FOR DRUG-
- 4 RELATED OFFENSES.
- 5 Section 484 of the Higher Education Act of 1965 (20
- 6 U.S.C. 1091) is amended by adding at the end thereof
- 7 the following new subsection:
- 8 "(q) Suspension of Eligibility for Drug-
- 9 RELATED OFFENSES.—

"(1) IN GENERAL.—An individual student who has been convicted of any offense under any Federal or State law involving the possession or sale of a controlled substance shall not be eligible to receive any grant, loan, or work assistance under this title during the period beginning on the date of such con-viction and ending after the interval specified in the following table:

"If convicted of an offense involving:

The possession of a controlled substance:	Ineligibility period is:
1st offense	1 year
2nd offense	2 years
3rd offense	indefinite
The sale of a controlled substance:	
1st offense	2 years
2nd offense	indefinite

- "(2) Rehabilitation.—A student whose eligibility has been suspended under paragraph (1) may resume eligibility before the end of the period determined under such paragraph if the student satisfactorily completes a drug rehabilitation program that complies with such criteria as the Secretary shall prescribe for purposes of this paragraph.
- "(3) DEFINITIONS.—As used in this subsection, the term 'controlled substance' has the meaning given in section 102(6) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 802(6))."

1 SEC. 2. EFFECTIVE DATE.

- 2 The amendment made by section 1 shall apply with
- 3 respect to financial assistance to cover the costs of attend-
- 4 ance for periods of enrollment beginning after the date

5 of enactment of this Act.

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